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Applicants : Pierre C. Fazan and Gurtej S. Sandhu      Attorney Docket No.: 660073.488D1 (500055.02)  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 1999, please extend the period of time for response two-months to expire on May 9, 2000. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

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on page 1, in the title of the application, please delete "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRENCH ISOLATION PROCESS WITH PAD GATE AND TRENCH EDGE SPACER ELIMINATION" and insert in its place -- APPARATUS HAVING TRENCH ISOLATION STRUCTURE WITH REDUCED ISOLATION PAD HEIGHT AND EDGE SPACER --;

on page 7, line 14, please delete "92" and insert in its place -- 93 --;